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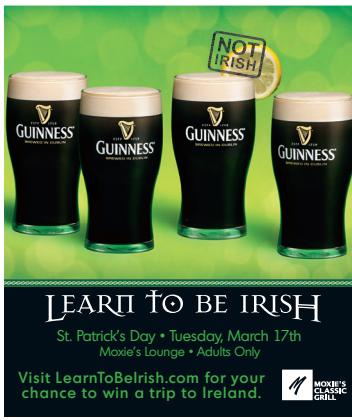
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MLAs chided over Twitter in House

POLITICS Alberta MLAs were given a tongue-lashing yesterday after being told to put gadgets away and refrain from logging posts on Twitter in question period.

Speaker Ken Kowalski told the legislature he had spotted six MLAs tapping on their BlackBerrys during question period.

"Let's deal with this, or I am going to have to deal with this in an entirely different way," Kowalski asked the MLAs.

Kowalski said he received a number of complaints from provincial politicians about members logging on to Twitter in the legislature.

He said some messages by MLAs would appear moments before a question is asked in the House.

METRO EDMONTON

Riding the Recession

Looking for ways to save money and ride out the economic storm? Now through the end of March, Metro will share advice on how to cut down on expenses and navigate your way through the recession.

- Metro Drive Put the brakes on car maintenance costs and keep the mechanic away, pg 12
- Tomorrow Food – Local meals for a steal.



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Fire and ice



From left, city firefighters Paul McGonigal, Brad Lumley, Christian Munoz and Rob Morrison pose with a fundraising graph next to a rooftop tent, which will be their home for the next three days as they raise money for muscular dystrophy.

Addicts worry shelter staff as mercury drops

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The grip of addiction has such a stranglehold on a population of the city's homeless that many choose to endure sub-zero temperatures rather than give up their fix for the night, officials say.

With record-breaking temperatures dropping below -30 C this week, the number of vacant beds at the Hope Mission is surprisingly high, spokesman Peter Gerber said yesterday. "People have to come in of their own volition — they have to want to come in from the cold," he said. "They're not allowed to abuse substances inside our facility. If that's their intention, they're still out there."

Of 900 beds, roughly 600 have been taken up each night this week. There are more than 3,000 homeless people in Edmonton.

"You'll see people camped outside the building sometimes, and it's not because we're full," Gerber said. "If they want to live in their addiction, they're going to be out there trying to maintain it."

A homeless Calgary man froze to death in a park last weekend.

EMS spokesperson Jill McCormick said that emergency crews didn't respond to any cold exposure calls yesterday.

Alberta's woes short?

JEFF CUMMINGS
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than expected" levels, but things should change for the better in 2010.

"So many fundamentals are positive in the case of Alberta — the best strategy is to treat this as short term," said Percy yesterday.

Percy was among a handful of financial experts who met with council in city hall as it prepares for its next budget.

Angus Watt of National Bank Financial told council commodity prices would

increase by the end of this year, but Alberta's economy, that is far too dependent on oil and growth, is suffering from a "hiccup."

"There is a need to borrow money for the long term infrastructure today," said Watt. "There is a need to increase taxes, not just here in Edmonton ... but throughout North America — we need to increase taxes because we need more money."

Premier Ed Stelmach, who says borrowing billions in cash to fund more infrastructure projects is a "serious option" in Alberta's upcoming budget, believes Alberta and the rest of the world could be in a worse situation if no relief is seen next year.

"We have to be very prudent over the next year or two when we're budgeting and there will be tight budgets, there's no doubt about it," said Stelmach yesterday.

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Edmontonian named among world's top realtors

An Edmonton realtor has been named the world's fifth-best Re/Max realtor, even as the world's economy continues to slump.

Terry Paranych was the realty company's top Canadian salesman for a sixth consecutive year in 2009. **METRO EDMONTON**

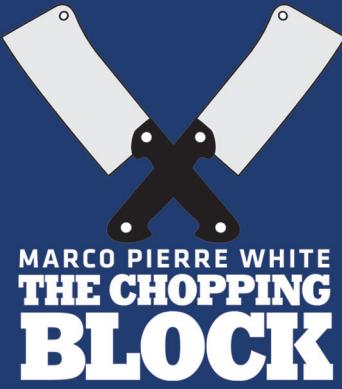
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Too cold to come into work

Frigid temperatures yesterday forced hundreds of workers at the Shell Scotford Upgrader plant to stay at home. Shell ordered all workers to have the day off, unless workers got a phone call from their boss telling them they had to be on site near Fort Saskatchewan. Temperatures were hovering around the -30 C mark in Edmonton yesterday and it was -40 C at the Edmonton International Airport.

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Cold dip for protest

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Record-breaking sub-zero temperatures weren't enough to keep financially frustrated post-secondary students from taking a mid-afternoon dip yesterday.

"With the high cost of tuition, a little shrinkage wouldn't be a bad thing," a NAIT student shouted before jumping half-naked into a freezing dunk tank yesterday afternoon, when temperatures hovered around -30 C.

About a dozen students from NAIT, Grant MacEwan College, Red Deer College and Mount Royal College took the icy plunge, hoping to raise awareness and inspire help from the provincial government with ever-rising tuition costs.

"Every year students cry out that they can't pay tuition, and our institutions are between a brick wall and a hard place," said Amy



Marshall Boyd, president of the Red Deer College Student Association, somersaults through the snow with other students during the Tuition Dip Polar Bear Dunk at NAIT yesterday afternoon. Students took the plunge to raise awareness about tuition costs.

Trefry, vice-president of campus life at Grant MacEwan. "We need our government to back us up."

Returning to post-secondary education is a Catch-22 for many students, said

NAIT Students' Association president Brent Constantin, who strapped on a metallic wrestling mask before stripping down yesterday.

"In the economic downturn, a lot of people will be

returning to post-secondary to retrain and redevelop their skills," he said. "Many have established families and lifestyles, and that extra burden of tuition will be a shock to some of them."

Vehicle hit patrol car: Police

ACCIDENT A crash involving an alleged impaired driver Monday afternoon could have been much worse as the vehicle smashed into a patrol car, police said.

Police said officers received a call about a minor collision near 94 Street and Ottewell Drive, and a witness said that one of the drivers, who the officer alleged was impaired, got

back in the car and tried to flee the area.

Just as a nearby school ended classes for the day, a police vehicle intercepted the slow-moving vehicle by a parking lot, officials said.

Ronald Lee Richardson was charged with impaired driving and driving with a blood-alcohol level over .08.

METRO EDMONTON

Ward Chemical hit with order

ENVIRONMENT A northern Alberta company has been slapped with an environmental protection order from the province after it failed to ensure groundwater wasn't being contaminated.

In 2006, officials with Ward Chemical Inc. near Calling Lake were warned to reduce the level of chlorides and other contaminants seeping into the environment.

One year later, government inspectors noted visible impact on vegetation.

metronews.ca  **What's online today.**

Video Prime Minister Harper says Canada is poised to profit from the global recession at metronews.ca/canada

Video There's good news and there's bad news in Alberta's newest unemployment numbers at metronews.ca/local

Blogs Political Stripes says it's about time automakers stopped blaming the recession for all their problems.



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Prize cars should be Canadian-made: Ontario's Infrastructure Minister George Smitherman is upset that the province's lottery commission has purchased foreign-made Mercedes-Benz cars to use as prizes. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Canada

Stimulus money to be spent quickly, PM says

Ottawa will start pouring \$20 billion of stimulus spending into the economy on April 1 as part of its plan to fight off the global financial crisis, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said in an upbeat speech yesterday.

Harper, whose minority Conservative government plans to spend \$40 billion in stimulus funds over the next two fiscal years, said his officials had slashed red tape to ensure the money could be spent quickly.

"As a result, by April 1, the government will be able to start pumping \$20 billion directly into the economy, representing close to 90 per cent of the stimulus for this fiscal year," he said in the

Job numbers 'not likely to be good'

The Canadian economy will have a difficult 2009, and jobs data due later this week will be the latest evidence that it is being hit hard by the global eco-

nomic slowdown, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said yesterday. "These numbers are not likely to be good," Flaherty told the Senate's finance committee.

prepared text of a speech in Brampton, Ont.

Harper said the government would make most of the stimulus funding available on April 1, and said the rest would be available within five months.

The spending will rack up \$64 billion in budget deficits over the next two fiscal years. Harper repeated his line that the deficits would be temporary.

The prime minister, criti-

cized for mishandling the economic downturn, said the government's actions would ensure that Canada emerged in the best position of any advanced nation.

"Canada was the last advanced country to fall into this recession. We will make sure its effects here are the least severe and we will come out of this faster than anyone and stronger than ever."

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Vancouver Another shooting



ANDY CLARK/REUTERS

A police officer comforts a distraught woman who showed up at the scene of a shooting that left two people dead inside an apartment yesterday in Vancouver. Since mid-January, there have been 33 shooting incidents in Vancouver and the surrounding area.

May could run in B.C. byelection

POLITICS Green party Leader Elizabeth May says she would consider running for a seat in a soon-to-be-vacant riding out west, but will not make up her mind until a byelection is called.

New Democrat MP Dawn Black announced over the weekend she would resign her federal seat in the British Columbia riding of New Westminster-Coquitlam to run in the May 12 provincial election.

May has said since losing to Defence Minister Peter MacKay in Central Nova last October that she would be willing to run in a byelection anywhere else in the country. But she was noncommittal yesterday about replacing Black.

"I don't rule it out, but I can't make any decisions in the context of which we might have a general election before a byelection," she said. "Until the timing is clear and the writ is dropped, I won't be making any decisions."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

LISTERIA A proposed \$25-million settlement in a class-action lawsuit against Maple Leaf Foods over last year's listeriosis outbreak was approved yesterday by a judge in Saskatchewan, moving the case toward a conclusion.

CBC NEWS ONLINE

Pushing for Arctic sovereignty

TERRITORY Canada is stepping up diplomatic efforts to protect its Arctic sovereignty, a move that comes as other northern nations eye the vast area's resource wealth and melting ice invites new shipping.

In a speech today, Foreign Affairs Minister Lawrence Cannon will make clear Ottawa's claim

on its Arctic territory, a message he then intends to take directly to Canada's northern neighbours over the coming months.

"As the prime minister stated many times, if someone threatens our Arctic sovereignty, we will push back," one federal official said, speaking on background.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Millions of birds culled illegally: GroupMore than 1.1 million songbirds prized as culinary delicacies were illegally slaughtered by trappers in Cyprus in the past year, a conservation group said yesterday. **REUTERS**

World

Irish, Brits talk peace

Backlash fears raised after policeman, soldiers slain

Irish and British politicians vowed yesterday to defend the peace process between Northern Ireland's Protestants and Catholics after attacks on security forces by republican dissidents threatened a return to conflict.

The Continuity IRA killed a policeman on Monday, two days after another splinter group shot dead two British soldiers at an army base, in attacks that raised fears of a backlash from pro-British loyalists.

"These people, a small group of evil people, have the capacity to kill and to maim," said Irish Foreign Minister Micheal Martin at

Protestants.

The Continuity IRA and the Real IRA, which claimed Saturday's attack, oppose the peace settlement and have pledged to keep up their fight until British rule is overthrown and Ireland united. They do not have widespread support in the province's Catholic community, with a membership in the low hundreds. But their actions have the potential to fuel tit-for-tat violence.

"That has to be a worry that there will be a reaction from loyalist paramilitaries who have more or less gone off the pitch," Ireland's Justice Minister Dermot Ahern said.

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Arrests

- A 17- and a 37-year-old were arrested in connection with the policeman's killing, police said yesterday.

a news conference with British ministers.

"What they don't have is the capacity to undermine the advances that we've made in society on the island of Ireland."

A 1998 power-sharing deal brought relative calm to Northern Ireland after 30 years of bloodshed between minority Irish Republican Catholics and pro-British

Kashmir Special day of worship

DANISH ISMAIL/REUTERS



A Muslim raises his hands as he looks at the relic of Muhammad on display during the Eid Milad-un-Nabi festival at the Hazratbal shrine in Indian Kashmir yesterday. Tens of thousands of Kashmiri Muslims offered special prayers during the anniversary of the birth of Muhammad.

News in brief

SHOOTING A shooting in southern Alabama killed at least 10 people yesterday afternoon, including the gunman, police confirmed. The shooting happened in Samson, Ala., about 15 miles from the Florida border, a police dispatcher told CNN.

BEHEADINGS Suspected drug gang hitmen dumped five severed human heads in ice coolers on a road in western Mexico yesterday with a message threatening rivals, a state attorney general's office said. Torturing and beheading rivals is common in Mexico's increasingly vicious drug war.

METRO NEWS SERVICE

Dalai Lama denounces Chinese presence in Tibet

ASIA The Dalai Lama said yesterday more and more Chinese were beginning to see a problem with Beijing's rule over Tibet, lamenting how the homeland he fled 50 years ago had become a "hell on earth."

Speaking before some 10,000 Tibetans from around the world, the 73-year-old slammed China for bringing "untold suffering and destruction" during a series of repressive, violent campaigns in Tibet since 1959.

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"These thrust Tibetans into such depths of suffering and hardship that they literally experienced hell on earth," he said from the main Buddhist temple in Dharamsala, India, where the Tibetan government-in-exile is based.

China tightened security across ethnic Tibetan areas, aiming to head off potential unrest on the 50th anniversary of an uprising that prompted the Dalai Lama's flight into exile in India.

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A sign of the times

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Paul Sullivan

Every Sunday morning at my house, a miracle happens. It's not what you're thinking; although it's the closest thing I have to a spiritual experience.

Because every Sunday morning the Sunday New York Times arrives on my doorstep.

There it is, brimming with substance, weighing in at five pounds (although it's gone on a diet lately) stuffed with "All the News That's Fit to Print," the world's greatest newspaper.

I sit down with a mug of fresh coffee and get lost for a couple of hours with great columnists, fantastic reporting from around

the globe and the New York Times Book Review, my very favourite thing. Via the Sunday Times, I reconnect weekly with the best of civilization.

So how can it be that this miracle is in jeopardy? That the Times, along with at least a dozen other major U.S. newspapers and Canwest, Canada's biggest newspaper chain, are in danger of dying if they aren't, like the Rocky Mountain News in Denver, already dead?

Well, it's a long story, kids, and because it is happening to journalists, it is being reported with extreme diligence. Check out: mediafade.blogspot.com, poynter.org or

j-source.ca for obsessive coverage. And for the unthinkable demise of the Times, go to theatlantic.com and read End Times: Can America's paper of record survive the death of newsprint? Can journalism? Shiver.

The newspaper industry is partially to blame for its own troubles: It has been slow and erratic in its response to the challenge of online and mobile news. You could argue it is a senseless act of wanton destruction to kill trees to publish the National Post. But the industry can hardly be blamed for the demise of the economy or that advertising revenue is drying up faster than ink on the page.

And while I admire the feistiness and pluck of the Metro chain and its commuter model, I have to wonder what

happens the day the big metro dailies die.

The coffee-mug-half-empty analysis is that newspapers and their handsomely funded newsrooms are the wellspring of the news and all the others — TV, radio and Google — are mainly parasites. And we're going to find out just what we've lost when they're gone.

But the coffee-mug-half-full analysis is that while it will change, the news will never die. People will always want to know what's going on and there will always be people with a nose for news who are ready to tell them. Does it matter how we get it, as long as we get it? And anyway, there's no news in a newspaper. By the time we get it, it's a museum, full of stuff we read online at least 24 hours ago. Let it go.

So why can't I let go? I guess I'm finally going to have to face it. While I was standing by the window waiting for the Times, the times just passed me by.

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Word on the street: Do you believe news media play an important role in today's society?

Lori Macdonald
age 40,
Edmonton

A: Certainly it does, it's important for everybody to know what's going on in the world.

Kristin Codner
age 23,
Edmonton

A: Yes, I do believe media plays a very important role. It's important to have factual information.

Gia Smith
age 39, Calgary

A: Yes, because of the media, people get all the information they need and rely on.

Steven Crane
age 18, Calgary

A: Yes, but I think politicians use the media to their own agenda.

Loueiza Skaf
age 26, Ottawa

A: Of course. It gives us information and desensitizes us from what's going on in the world. It also prepares us.

Karl Williams
age 45,
Vancouver

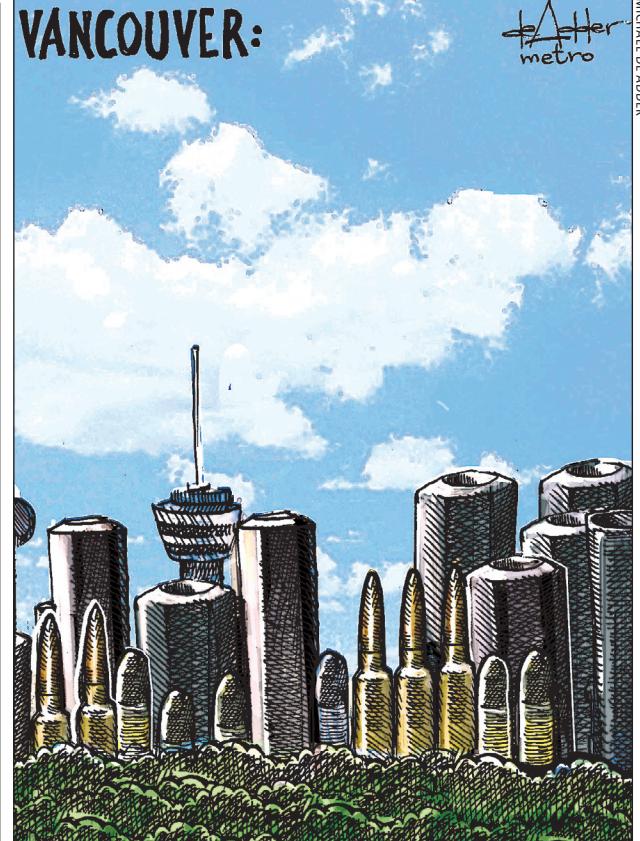
A: Definitely. Just because of all the current events that are brought out every day.



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VANCOUVER:



Worth mentioning

Sea levels rising faster than expected: Scientists

The UN's climate change panel may be severely underestimating the sea-level rise caused by global warming, climate scientists said recently, calling for swift cuts in greenhouse emissions.

"The sea-level rise may well exceed one metre by 2100 if we continue on our path of increasing emissions," said Stefan Rahmstorf, professor at the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research.

"The ice loss in Greenland shows an acceleration in the last decade."

Konrad Steffen

"Even for a low emission scenario, the best estimate is about one metre."

Rahmstorf spoke at the International Scientific Congress on Climate Change in Copenhagen. The UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in 2007 predicted global warming would cause sea levels to rise by between seven inches and 23 inches this century. The IPCC said at the time the estimate could not accurately take into account factors

such as the melting of ice sheets in Greenland and Antarctica. Many scientists criticized the number as too conservative.

"The ice loss in Greenland shows an acceleration during the last decade," said veteran Greenland researcher Konrad Steffen, director of the Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences at the University of Colorado, Boulder.

John

Church, a researcher at the Centre for Australian Weather and Climate Research in Hobart, said rising oceans will lead to more frequent devastating floods in coastal areas.

The faster humans limit carbon dioxide emissions, the greater the chance to avoid the most extreme scenarios, he said.

"We could pass a threshold during the 21st century that can commit the world to metres of sea-level rise," he said. "Short-term emission goals are critical."

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The power of traffic

Company looks to roads, railways for energy

An Israeli energy startup
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Innowattech, a company affiliated with Israel's Technion Institute of Technology, said special generators placed under roads, railways and runways can harvest enough energy from passing vehicles to mass-produce electricity.

The generators contain material that produces electricity when mechanical force is applied, like the pressure from a pass-

Timeline

- Innowattech's Uri Amit said the first pilot program will begin in the coming months on a 30-metre strip of highway outside Tel Aviv, and that similar projects could start internationally in 2010.

ing car's tires.

The process, known as piezoelectricity, has been used for years on a smaller scale, including in barbecue lighters and a dance

club where dancers' feet light the floor.

Uri Amit, chairman of Innowattech, said the company's technology will be the largest application of piezoelectrics to date, with a single one-kilometre lane of highway providing up to 100 kilowatts of electricity, enough to power about 40 houses.

But the technology has its limitations since it can collect a steady flow of electricity only from busy roads and rails.

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Business in brief

CAW The results of the vote by members of the Canadian Auto Workers union on a tentative cost-saving deal with Gen-

eral Motors Canada are expected late today.

FORECAST Ballard Power Systems said yesterday that it

does not expect to turn a profit in 2009, based on the Canadian fuel cell developer's growth forecasts.

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AIG bailout
stirring up
resentment

FUNDS The \$173-billion US government rescue of American International Group Inc. is stoking resentment among investors who see it as a backdoor taxpayer bailout of banks.

AIG continues to bleed red ink and its stock and bond holders have been crushed, but one group has suffered almost no damage: Banks that bought credit protection from AIG Financial Products.

Regulatory filings show that since the Federal Reserve announced its rescue of AIG on Sept. 15, about \$50 billion of government money has passed through the company to banks.

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Sports

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'A disappointing loss'

NHL RESULT

Canadiens 4 Oilers 3 (OT)



THE SKINNY: The Oilers coughed up a 3-2 lead and lost a precious point as Montreal captain Saku Koivu forced overtime in the final five minutes of regulation with his first goal of the game and then won it with his second on a power play 1:40 into overtime.

THE QUOTE: "A disappointing loss, but we did a lot of things well, particularly in the first and second period," said assistant coach Bill Moores. "We kind of fell back in the third, certainly not by design, and they came on a bit."

THE BIG PLAY: Koivu's sec-



Steve Staios of the Edmonton Oilers defends against Christopher Higgins of the Montreal Canadiens in Montreal last night.

ond goal of the game was a deft deflection. He parked himself in front of Edmonton's net and deflected Mathieu Schneider's point shot past Dwayne Roloson.

GAINY STEPS IN: After firing coach Guy Carbonneau

Monday, GM Bob Gainey stepped behind Montreal's bench. Carbonneau's sacking made him the seventh coaching casualty of the season.

UNPLUGGED: The Oilers power play went 0-for-3 and is on a 1-for-31 slide in its last

eight games. Worse still, Edmonton lost Sheldon Souray in the third period with what's being called a "lower-body injury."

IN THE BOOKS: Patrick O'Sullivan picked up an assist on Souray's goal to put the Oilers up 2-1 for his first point since being acquired from Carolina at the deadline and Steve Staios recorded his 100th assist as an Oiler on Andrew Cogliano's 1-1 goal.

TAKE A SEAT: Benched for the third period of Saturday's 4-1 win over the Maple Leafs in Toronto, inconsistent left winger Dustin Penner was a healthy scratch. Robert Nilsson took Penner's spot in the lineup.

THE NEXT GAME: The Oilers host the Atlanta Thrashers tomorrow.

ROBIN BROWNLEE
/FOR METRO EDMONTON

Martin, Howard still perfect

CURLING Kevin Martin and Glen Howard appear to be on a collision course for a rematch of last year's final at the Tim Hortons Brier.

Martin, the reigning national and world champion, and Howard, who won the double-crown in 2007, have separated from the pack with perfect 7-0 records after four days at the Canadian men's curling championship in Calgary.

Martin's Edmonton rink thumped British Columbia's Sean Geall 8-2 in the morning and then blasted Prince Edward Island's Rod MacDonald 11-4 in the afternoon.

Howard beat up on his

older brother, Russ Howard of New Brunswick, 7-2 in the morning draw and then took down Jeff Stoughton of Manitoba 8-5 in last night's action.

Howard faces Jamie Koe of Northwest/Yukon territories this morning and Quebec's Jean-Michel Menard in the afternoon. Martin, meanwhile, plays Northern Ontario's Mike Jakubo in the afternoon and Stoughton in the evening.

Brad Gushue of Newfoundland and Labrador is in third at 5-2. Stoughton and Russ Howard are next at 4-3.

METRO CANADA



Ontario skip Glenn Howard, left, and his brother New Brunswick skip Russ Howard shake hands at the end of their draw.

Sports in brief

SOCER Liverpool manager Rafael Benitez never dreamed of beating his former club Real Madrid by such a large margin after watching his team thrash the Spaniards 4-0 in the Champions League, he said yesterday. Two goals from Steven Gerrard dealt Real Madrid their biggest defeat in the Champions League and secured a 5-0 aggregate win. Other winners were Bayern Munich, Villareal and Chelsea.

NBA Portland Trail Blazers guard Rudy Fernandez spent the night in hospital after suffering a chest injury in Monday's 111-94 rout of the Los Angeles Lakers, the team said yesterday. Fernandez will not play tonight against Dallas.

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NHL

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Atlanta 3 Colorado 0
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Detroit 3 Phoenix 2 (OT)
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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

New York 120 Milwaukee 112
San Antonio 100 Charlotte 86
Utah 112 Indiana 100
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Oklahoma City at Sacramento
Cleveland at L.A. Clippers

NHL GMs ready to ban staged fights



PENALTIES The National Hockey League appears poised to reduce fighting.

NHL general managers proposed at the GM meetings yesterday that a 10-minute misconduct penalty be given to players who engage in staged fights after a faceoff. They also suggested that the instigator rule be more strictly enforced, particularly in cases where a player wearing a visor initiates a fight or a

player drops the gloves after a teammate has been bodychecked.

Of the first 500 fights this season, the NHL says 108 occurred right after a faceoff.

Another 118 came in instances where a player was responding to a teammate getting hit.

That number has risen sharply over the years because of the trend where players begin fights after almost any teammate gets hit.

In the past, that kind of response was usually reserved for times when a star player was taken out.

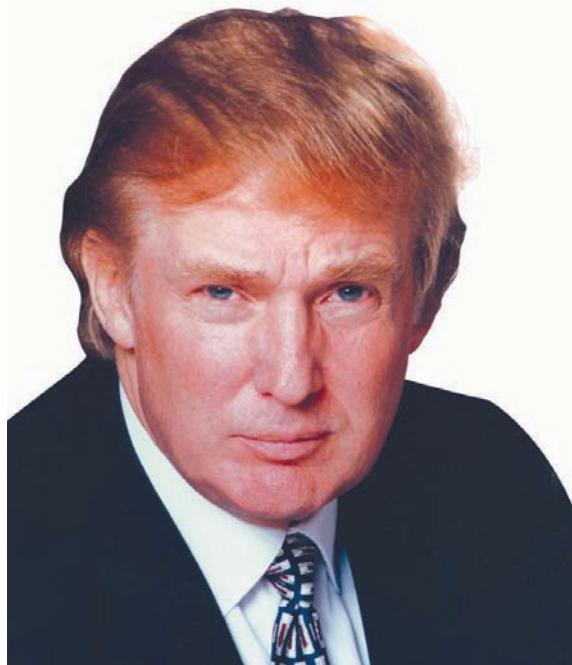
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U-20 Canadians look to advance

Canada can advance at the CONCACAF U-20 men's soccer championships today with a win against Costa Rica in Trinidad. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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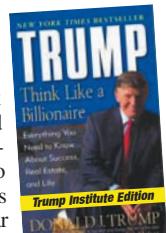
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Service in time saves dime

MARK ATKINSON
for Metro Canada

We've all felt the current recession's sting in one way or another, and an honest reaction would be to try and save as much money as possible by doing things ourselves rather than paying someone else. Doing basic maintenance and repairs on your vehicle can be simple. However, they have become so complicated in recent years that you can get in a lot of trouble very easily if something goes wrong.

Gary Grant, service manager at Willowdale Subaru in Toronto, and an automotive expert who currently contributes to TheGarage-Blog.com and Driven-

Wheels.com, advises: "Do a bit of research. Read the maintenance section of the owner's manual. Understand what the manufacturer considers important. Because we live in Canada, follow the manufacturer's 'severe' service schedule," he said.

"I'm often asked, 'Can't I do that myself?' My response is usually something along the lines of, 'I don't know. I'm not sure of what skills you have.' For the most part, the basics like oil changes haven't changed in terms of difficulty. However, oil changes are more important now than ever due to tighter build tolerances in engines. Do them on time. Don't reach for the cheap filter, buy the good one. Don't



Apart from simple do-it-yourself checks, it's important to know and take care of those aspects of vehicles that need regular maintenance to avoid costly repairs, car expert Gary Grant says.

miss an interval, ever."

Grant said that tire rotation could be a realistic task for those with proper equip-

ment.

CarCareCanada.ca, a website that helps consumers understand more

about their own vehicles, suggests other simple tasks that you can do yourself.

First, ensure that all your lights are functioning properly, including turn signals and brake lights. These are usually very easy to replace if they're burnt out. Next, check all the fluid levels under your hood, including engine oil, windshield washer, anti-freeze/coolant and transmission fluid. Check the terminals on your vehicle's battery for corrosion, and if you find some, have your technician clean them the next time your car's in for service.

Wiper blades and the frames themselves are also very easy to change, and you can purchase replacements at any auto parts store.

Riding the Recession

CarCareCanada.ca also recommends keeping good tire pressure to ensure your vehicle performs as it's supposed to, including fuel mileage.

Preventative maintenance is also vital to keeping your vehicle in top shape, and only a drop in the bucket compared to what you might pay if something goes horribly wrong.

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The 2009 Hyundai Elantra Touring isn't just an Elantra sedan with a liftgate, as was the case with the Elantra Hatchback, last seen for 2006.



Intelligent Elantra

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for Metro Canada



With cars, size isn't everything. When hatchbacks are thoughtfully designed, they'll hold a lot more than their small footprints would suggest. That's the case with Hyundai's newest compact version, the 2009 Elantra Touring.

This isn't just an Elantra sedan with a liftgate, as was the case with the Elantra Hatchback, last seen for 2006. It's a model known as the i30 in Europe, Australia and Asia, and while it shares the Elantra's 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine, it has a different platform. European models are built in the Czech Republic, while ours come from Korea.

Four trim lines range from \$14,995 to \$21,195, with an extra \$1,200 on each to switch from five-speed manual to four-speed automatic.

At 138 horsepower, the Touring isn't the most powerful in the segment, but this isn't really a category for brute strength. It feels lively enough, even when climbing hills, and gets loud only when punched hard to get around highway traffic.

Handling is much better than expected, with nicely-weighted steering, minimal body lean in corners, small steering wheel, and smooth return from sharp curves. The ride is firm, but while you feel bumps on bad roads, the suspension doesn't crash over them.

The i30 comes in two wheelbase lengths, but our Touring exclusively uses the larger 2,700-mm one, which is longer than any of the challengers Hyundai is targeting — and a long

2009 Hyundai Elantra Touring

Type: Compact hatchback
Price: \$14,995-\$21,195
Engine: 2.0L four-cylinder
HP: 138

Highlights

- Small but spacious
- Affordable pricing

wheelbase helps with a smoother ride.

The base L trim line comes with power windows and locks, but you must move up to the Preferred Package, at \$2,250 more, to get A/C, keyless entry, heated seats, side and curtain airbags, anti-lock brakes, and active front head restraints, which help prevent whiplash. What's missing on all models is electronic stability control. It's standard or optional elsewhere, including the U.S., but not offered here because it would have pushed the price too high, Hyundai Canada says.

This is where I'm supposed to scold about how important this feature is, legroom is considerable both front and rear, and Hyundai says its cargo volume is the class leader: 689 litres with the rear seats up, and 1,848 with them folded. Low-slung "shingle-style" rear head restraints don't need to be removed to fold the seats, and they aid rearward visibility, along with generous rear quarter windows that make shoulder-checks easier than with many hatch-



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and I'd like to, given our oft-slippery Canadian roads and the fact that entry-level buyers are often young, inexperienced drivers. But the reality is that even inexpensive cars represent a lot of money, and with automakers trying to meet what buyers will pay, Hyundai isn't the only one. Among competitors, ESC is standard only on the pricier Pontiac Vibe and Subaru Impreza; it's optional on VW Rabbit and Saturn Astra, elective only on higher trim levels of Toyota Matrix and Dodge Caliber, and unavailable on the 2009 Mazda3, Kia Spectra5 and Nissan Versa.

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In brief

SAFETY The 2009 North American Car of the Year Hyundai Genesis sedan bolstered its resumé with a top safety pick rating from the U.S.-based Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS). Hyundai's all-new flagship earned a "good" overall evalua-

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Visitors to Europe will have to comply with new import laws for animal products, with strict amounts set for everything from oysters and snails to honey, pet food and baby milk powder, the EU executive has said. **REUTERS**

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Caye Caulker's laid-back lifestyle

Belize backpacker haven is quite content to fly under the radar

DAVID WHITLEY
for Metro Canada

As the sun slowly crawls down the skyline, the cares of the world are far away. At a table almost enveloped in water, a group sits in their swimwear, knocking back beers number eight and nine.

They're cheering on the guys by the diving board, who are attempting ever more ambitious plunges into the fast-flowing channel that divides the two halves of the island.

The crowd gathered at the Lazy Lizard bar are a clue to what Caye Caulker offers. Off the coast of Belize and situated next to the world's second biggest barrier reef, it has become something of a secret backpacker hotspot.

Caye Caulker doesn't have any beach worth



A view of the waterfront in Caye Caulker.

speaking of, and this is arguably what helps it to retain its character. The resorts are never going to take over in the same way that they have on Ambergris Caye further north purely because the masses have no

sandy stretches to lie on. It's an island of bright clapboard guesthouses, an anything goes attitude and a slow, shuffling pace. Within minutes of arriving, hectic hurrying is reduced to a contented shamble along the colourful main drag, and two-for-one daiquiris before lunch seem mighty tempting.

It's a seriously relaxed place. Everything works on island time, happy hours last "until everyone is hap-

py," and any sartorial advance on shorts and flip-flops is completely over-dressed.

Many visitors to Caye Caulker are lured by diving or snorkelling trips with rays and manatees, but stay because of the vibe. It's the sort of place that sucks people in.

Many will come for two days, extend for a couple more and before they know it, they've not seen their family for 12 years.

Caye Caulker

- There are no direct flights to Belize City from Canada — flights with American Airlines, aa.com, from major hubs generally involve a change in Miami.
- From Belize City, it's necessary to get a ferry to Caye Caulker. Geckos Adventures,

gecosadventures.com, has a 10-day tour between Cancun, Mexico and Antigua, Guatemala, which stops off at Caye Caulker for two nights.

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Hence, the ranks of those that live on Caye Caulker are multinational. Boat skippers from Nicaragua, crew from Canada, dive shop managers from the UK and grocery store owners from China are common.

It's a place where the party is never planned, but one could break out at any time. A quiet bar can morph into a sin-packed reggae club in which some of the dirtiest bumping and grinding imaginable takes place.

And then the next morning, one of those dancers may well turn out to be the captain of the reef trip boat. Turning up 40 minutes late for the tour with a pounding head, then throwing a series of empty beer bottles off his rainbow-coloured

vessel before departure is absolutely par for the course.

But if you finally do get out into the Hol Chan Marine Reserve, it's a wonderful playground. It becomes something of an aquatic highlights reel. Alongside the manatees and rays are sharks (not the man-eating variety), eels, barracudas and turtles. Throw in brain coral and thousands of brightly coloured fish, and snorkelers are pretty much guaranteed to hit the jackpot.

Despite this, the reef is just a pleasant bonus for those that kick back on Caye Caulker. If there's one place that perfectly captures the island's ridiculously laid-back vibe, it's Jolly Roger's Grill. To call it a restaurant would be going a little bit far — it's just one man and his oil can barbecue, with a few tables scattered by the beach. There are generally only two or three menu options, and the dishes come served in polystyrene boxes.

Doesn't sound all that promising, does it? But the old adage of never trusting a skinny chef comes into play here. Roger is enormous, and as jolly as the name of the restaurant suggests. He also makes the best snapper in garlic sauce you'll ever taste, and routinely grills lobsters for virtually nothing, as if they were common-or-garden chicken fillets from a budget supermarket.

Nothing fazes him — if 20 people turn up at once, he just dishes out free rum punches while he cooks, and sends a friend down to what passes for a supermarket in order to get some hot sauce. He's Caye Caulker through and through — a drink, a smile and a "no problem" is the cure for all ills.

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Law & Order: SVU's Mariska Hargitay is on the road to recovery, and will likely be solving on-screen crimes again soon. Hargitay was hospitalized for the third time last week for discomfort related to a collapsed lung, which she suffered in January. TVGUIDE.COM

Entertainment

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The cure for a crisis

Knowing and other fantasy films offer escape from reality

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada



Last week saw the release of Zack Snyder's *Watchmen*, a mammoth, morally dubious super-hero saga whose dramatic arc rests on questions of sacrificing mankind in order to save it.

And now we have cult filmmaker Alex Proyas' blockbuster science fiction thriller *Knowing* — out next Friday — a picture that veers into apocalyptic dread and alien paranoia but in its subtext, is really offering a shocking solution to our planet's myriad of cultural, economical and environmental problems.

It's a classic case of using fantasy to cloak sophisticated musings on reality.

Since cinema started, periods of social, political and, yes, financial stress have caused some of the most profound and thoughtful genre movies to come crawling out of the ether, offering both glossy escape from reality and hard stares directly into it.

This was true in the 1920s in Germany, when the battered post-First World War youth culture gave birth to the nightmarish films of the expressionist movement, which led to the Great Depression sparked advent of earthy, gothic horror films in the

Movie feature

U.S.

The 1950s saw a McCarthy paranoia fuelled populace wither under an onslaught of allegorical alien invasion thrillers, while in the early 1970s, as the news spat out violent images of Vietnam, people gravitated toward mind-bending techno-shockers that showed mankind at its morally lowest.

And now, as North America struggles to dig itself out from under a seemingly unyielding economic crisis and with the war in Iraq and Afghanistan continuing to rack up casualties, multi-

plexes are being besieged by a new wave of anxious, dark and ultimately fascinating films, pictures that offer a bleak world view coupled with elements of the supernatural and metaphysical.

"What I've always liked about the fantasy, horror and science fiction genres is that it heightens the background noise of the characters," says Proyas — who also directed *Dark City* and *The Crow* — about the genre he chiefly toils in.

"It gives people them an extreme version of the real world to see how people react in it. But no matter how strange events can get, it's always about the



New Moon

Kristen Stewart thinks *New Moon* will be "bigger and better" than *Twilight*. The actress is about to reprise her role as Bella Swan in the second installment of the vampire franchise.

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Rose Byrne, left, and Nicolas Cage star in a scene from the upcoming film *Knowing*, which opens in theatres next Friday.

humanity. Sometimes you really have to look deeply for it, but it's always there, driving the story."

Film is, and always will be a mirror and though the heavy shadow of recession

looms large, some comfort lies in the promise that because of this, Hollywood might continue releasing lavish entertainments that actually challenge and confront us.

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The gimmick's up

RAFAEL BRUSILOW
for Metro Canada



Gimmicky challenges and his own gimmicky designs finally brought Hamilton designer Jason Meyers' journey to a halt on last night's episode of Project Runway Canada.

Last night's unusual material of choice was Post-It notes and designers were challenged to use the sticky paper strips to create a dress for a breast cancer survivor.

Meyers, 31, used fluorescent yellow and pink Post-Its to create an enormous gown that judges called "a train wreck" and he was sent home.

He says doing the show was a great learning experience that forced him to think differently and gave him a chance to share ideas with like-minded individuals.

"It was definitely a growing experience as a designer for me. I developed more and it was cool to see different techniques and styles from the other designers," Meyers said.

Iman and the other judges frequently referred to Meyers as a "gimmicky" designer, but he insists he just did his best with challenges that were innately strange, like using old wedding dresses for fabric or making a gown out of Post-It notes.

"The challenges I found were gimmicky themselves, so I kind of just went for it," Meyers said.

Tasked with creating a camouflage dress in week one, Meyers built a dress with a tail that could be pulled over the model's head to hide her. In another week, Meyers sewed in thumb fasteners across the surface of a dress to let it go from day to evening by having the model clip parts of it up or down.

He admits time and budget constraints were the biggest challenge on the show and he's proud of having made it as far as he did.



Designer Jason Meyers was sent home last night.

"We only had one zipper and \$100 to buy fabric — that was really hard. I didn't give up and tried to work through it as best as I could," Meyers said.

Meyers is proudest to have won week two's challenge, when Canadian actress Elisha Cuthbert picked his classic, black Hollywood dress for herself to wear, calling it "beautifully made."

Unlike some of the designers who engaged in back-biting drama on the

show, Meyers says his goal was always to be a neutral force and focus on his own work. "I just tried to do my own thing. I wouldn't sabotage anybody because we're all designers, we're all there for the same reason," Meyers said.

When to watch

• Project Runway Canada airs on Tuesday nights on Global.

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Celebrity Buzz

Rihanna & Brown recording a duet?

MUSIC Rihanna and Chris Brown are recording a duet, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The couple — who have reconciled after Brown allegedly assaulted Rihanna in his rented Lamborghini last month — are said to be working on a song for Brown's new album, which is due out later this year.

A source said: "They've been working on it together."

The pair is believed to be recording with producer Polow Da Don — who wrote the Pussycat Dolls hit Buttons — in a Santa Monica studio. Nei-

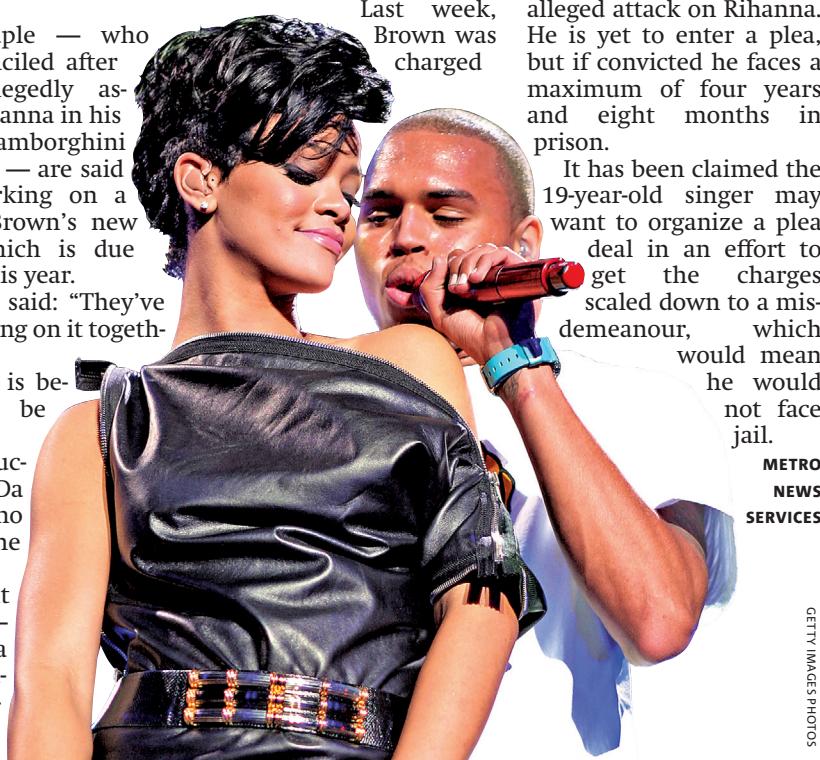
ther Brown nor Rihanna's representatives have commented on the claims.

Last week, Brown was charged

with two felonies — assault and making criminal threats — in relation to the alleged attack on Rihanna. He is yet to enter a plea, but if convicted he faces a maximum of four years and eight months in prison.

It has been claimed the 19-year-old singer may want to organize a plea deal in an effort to get the charges scaled down to a misdemeanor, which would mean he would not face jail.

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Victoria won't have a baby while David away

FAMILY Victoria Beckham has reportedly told husband David she won't have another baby while he is living in Italy, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Although the soccer hunk is keen to have a fourth child, the former Spice Girl has reportedly told him it is not feasible while he is playing soccer for AC Milan and she and their three sons are living in the

U.S., where Beckham was playing for the Los Angeles Galaxy.

A source said: "The baby issue is a bit of a sore point. In Victoria's eyes it's not the right time. David's future with Los Angeles Galaxy is so uncertain that planning for another child is, in Victoria's eyes, premature. First, they need to sort out where they are going to be living."

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Barton talks about beau on her blog

RELATIONSHIP Mischa Barton took to her blog yesterday to clear the air about her recent split with musician beau, Luke Pritchard, popeater.com reports. Although she says the two will remain friends, Barton wrote that "the bad just started to

outweigh the good and a long-distance relationship is never an easy thing to do."

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Sets for Blunt's new film were 'realistic'

CAREER Emily Blunt says sets on her new movie were so realistic they made her "heave," femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress plays a crime scene cleaner in the independent comedy Sunshine Cleaning and admits the stench while filming some scenes almost overpowered her.

"Oh, they were realistic. Particularly the trailer park one — that was gag-making. We walked on set and I felt myself heave, as it really did smell," she said.

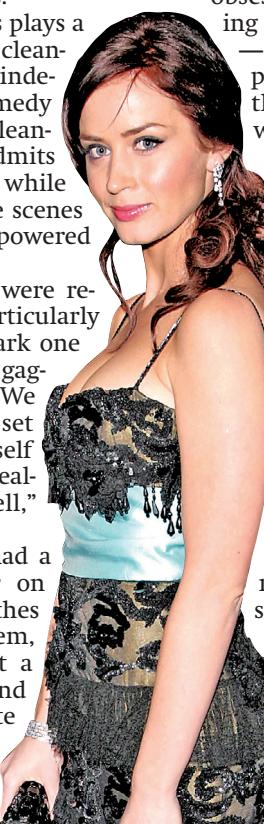
"And we had a fly wrangler on set. He breathes smoke on them, and they get a bit hazy and are not quite so sprightly — I don't

know how he does it."

To prepare for the movie, Blunt and her costar Amy Adams became "obsessed" with watching crime shows on TV — but admits their plan to get used to the grisly setting was unsuccessful.

She added to the New York Daily News newspaper: "It didn't really help when it came to the gore and dealing with the decomposition. So a guy came in who did it for a living to talk to us. He was very clinical and showed us what he does. He relished showing us some of the horrific pictures and hearing us screaming at them."

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Octuplets set to go home soon

PEOPLE As they grow stronger in the hospital, Nadya Suleman's octuplets are getting closer to coming home to a larger, recently purchased house — where it looks like they'll have a free fleet of skilled nurses, people.com reports.

The Suleman family is buying a house in Orange County, Calif., that's nearly twice as large as the one where Nadya, 33, the mother of the U.S.'s longest-surviving octuplets, lives with her six older children in Whittier.

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Parton criticizes Simpson scrutiny

GOSSIP Dolly Parton — whom Jessica Simpson has described as her idol — is glad scrutiny of the 28-year-old singer's weight seems to be dying down, usmagazine.com reports.

"She's obviously an amazing and talented singer — and one with real heart," Parton told usmagazine.com Monday at the Broadway opening night of 33 Variations. "I just wish people would focus on her voice — that's what she's doing. That's why she's so special. She's a beautiful girl."

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Miley's health condition

HEALTH Miley Cyrus has a condition called tachycardia, which causes her heart rate to speed up, she reveals in her new autobiography, Miles to Go, usmagazine.com reports.

"The type of tachycardia I have isn't dangerous. It won't hurt me, but it does bother me," she writes. "There is never a time onstage when I'm not thinking about my heart."

Cyrus also dedicates a chapter to her "Prince Charming," who ap-

pears to be ex Nick Jonas. "Wow! I was so in love," she says. "Do you know what I'm talking about? The kind of love where the sun could shine or not shine all day long and you wouldn't care."

After they split, she penned 7 Things I Hate About You. "I wanted to punish him, to get back at him for hurting me. It starts with a list of what I 'hate.' But I'm not a hater."

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Today
Some clouds
-10°C / -30°C



Thursday
Mostly cloudy
-2°C / -17°C



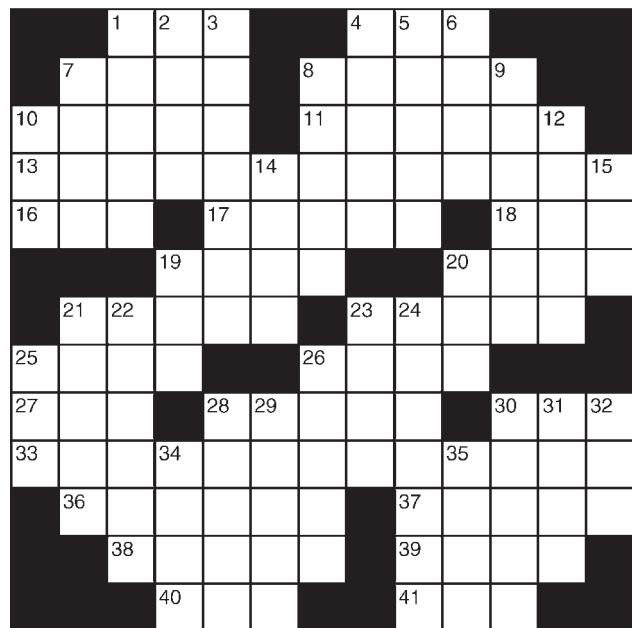
Friday
Snow, clouds
1°C / -7°C



Michele McDougall, Weather Specialist & Host – Breakfast Television

"My favourite part is reporting the weather. It fascinates me, and as we know around here, it's always changing, keeping forecasters on their toes."

WEEKDAYS AT 6 A.M.



Crossword across

1 Ruin the veneer
4 Turf
7 Asian desert
8 Garden intruder
10 "Peer Gynt" composer
11 Go ashore
13 Where the Tar River flows
16 Hawaiian musicmaker
17 Rock opera by The Who
18 Encyclopedia bk.
19 Courts
20 Bigfoot's cousin
21 Metallic noise
23 Senses
25 Unyielding

26 Minimal change
27 Two, in Tijuana
28 Dieter's entree
30 "Gee, ya think?"
33 Neil Diamond classic
36 Checked cotton fabric
37 Like Chicago, it's said
38 Mah-jongg pieces
39 Therefore
40 Roulette bet
41 Rotation duration

Crossword down

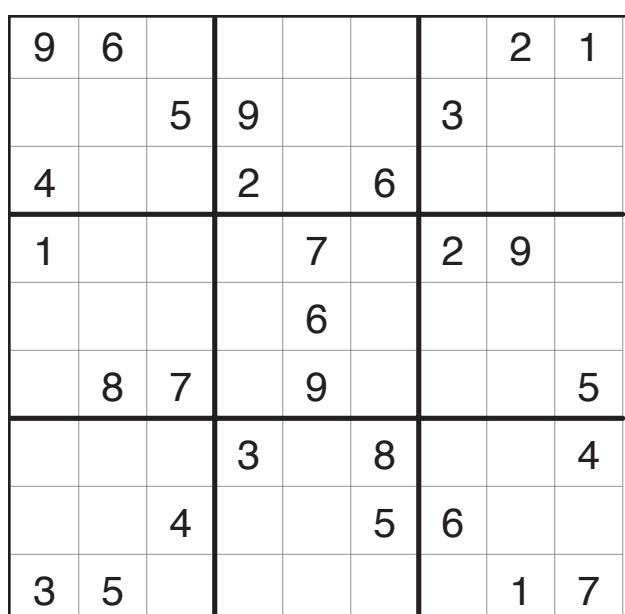
1 Ripple pattern
2 Help a prankster
3 "You betcha!"
4 Whale variety
5 "Wow!"
6 Use an old phone
7 Understand, in sci-fi lingo
8 Washington's successor
9 Nonsense
10 Wildebeest
12 Entanglements
14 Diner employee
15 Foreman foe
19 Pale
20 Still
21 Throng
22 Go postal

23 Phobia
24 Provided an income for
25 Egos' counterparts
26 Sculpting mediums
28 Subway entrance
29 Played a part
30 Unclean
31 Destroy
32 "Yo!"
34 Eastern potentate
35 Old Italian money

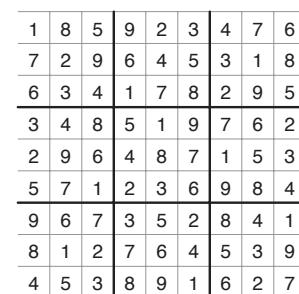
Sudoku

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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 min Genius
13-17 min Scholar
17-21 min Smart
21-25 min Not bad
25+ min Keep practising

flameproof casserole. Lay pieces of salmon on top. Surround fish with asparagus and sugar-snap peas. Pour in wine and stock, and dot butter over fish. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

2. Bring to boil, then cover casserole with tight-fitting lid and reduce heat so liquid simmers gently. Simmer fish and vegetables until salmon is pale pink all through and vegetables are fork-tender, 12 to 14 minutes. Sprinkle chives over the salmon.

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



You're like an acrobat with no safety net. Make a comedy of a bad situation. It's not a good time to clean your closets.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



A sleazy guy should be avoided. A loathsome monster lashes out at incompetence. You hold the future in your hands.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



Your charm gets in the way of facing problems. Take care of pressing business. Make progress toward forgiveness.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



An anguished person will listen carefully. An accomplice reminds you to make a call. The rumour mill is rife with speculation.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



Don't bet on getting an inheritance. Take the initiative in making a fresh start. A secret meeting will clarify needs and desires.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



Be creative when wishing for success. Your best friend is a lucky charm. A significant caller gives you some practical support.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



A smart remark causes a volatile situation. Look for closure in a failed endeavor. There's sorrow behind a sudden departure.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



Be patient with a delicate friendship. Your situation is about to improve drastically. Don't be sarcastic when acting as a matchmaker.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



A slender person is telling the truth. A woman will be open to a wonderful possibility. An attractive stranger wants to start a family.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



Don't leave a friend alone in the dark. A therapeutic investment will pay off. Carefully monitor a reckless attitude.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



A sweetheart has been through some bad weather. Walk down Memory Lane with a serious person. Don't accept less than you deserve.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



A fallen colleague's questions must be answered. A lonely person helps you learn to stop clinging. Check with a friend you haven't heard from lately.

This day in history

MARCH 11, 1702: The Daily Courant, the UK's first national daily newspaper, is published for the first time.

MARCH 11, 1941: World War II: President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the Lend-Lease Act into law, allowing American-built war supplies to be shipped to the Allies on loan.

MARCH 11, 1993: Janet Reno is confirmed by the United States Senate and sworn-in the next day, becoming the first female Attorney General of the United States.

MARCH 11, 2006: Michelle Bachelet is inaugurated as first female president of Chile.

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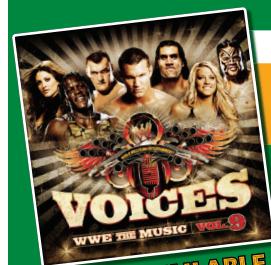
WORDY GURDY

1. NFL replay speed of a TV trailer (2)
2. Lion group got going fast (1)
3. Pilfered a hockey scoring cage (1)
4. Ship level's dandruff bits (1)
5. Wrestler Hulk's catchphrases (2)
6. Yearly car owner's reference book (3)
7. Without talons Xena player Lucy (2)

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE
Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

ANSWERS
1. SLOW MO PROMO 2. PRIDE HIDE 3. STOLE GOLF 4. DECKS FLECKS
5. HOGANS SLOGANS 6. ANNUAL MANDA 7. CLAWLESS LAWLESS
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